



University of Toronto Concert Orchestra

Paul Widner, conductor

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 7:30 pm, Walter Hall, 80 Queen's Park

PROGRAM

Two Aquarelles

- i. Lento, ma non troppo
- ii. Gaily, but not too quick

Cumulus

Symphony No. 45 in F-sharp minor, "Farewell"

- i. Allegro assai
- ii. Adagio
- iii. Menuet. Allegretto
- iv. Finale: Presto Adagio

Frederick Delius (1862-1934)

> Adrian Ling* (b. 1994)

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

*UTCO Composer-in-residence



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Violin

Raphael Salonga, *concertmaster* Miguel Esteban Joanna Gorska-Kochanowicz Jessica Lee Rebekah Lee Issac Poon Adelaide Sanchez Kelly Sham Lucia Yu

Viola Jocelyn Choi Tony Ji

Cello

Lyndon Kwan Yu Bin Lee Jazz Wayde Manlang Bass Gabriel Cordova

Oboe Matt Armstrong Eric Luo

Flute Rebecca Moranis

Horn Bridget Gaines Sophia Shah

Teaching Assistants Gloria Yip, Cherie Dong, Bryan Holt

Performance Collection Karen Wiseman, *Librarian*

Paul Widner

As a cellist and teacher, **Paul Widner** has appeared throughout Asia, Europe, the United States and Canada. Since 1985, Widner has been the Assistant Principal Cellist with the Canadian Opera Company orchestra. Much sought after as a chamber musician, he has performed with a variety of chamber groups, including the Made-in-Canada Piano Quartet and the Toronto Chamber Players. He was also a founding member of the Amadeus Ensemble. Widner is on the faculty of the Glenn Gould School and the University of Toronto and was acting cello professor at the University of Western Ontario in 2007-2008. He has been invited to conduct master classes and workshops at several schools throughout Canada, including the University of British Columbia, the Banff Centre and the Royal Conservatory of Music, and is on the faculty of the Music at Port Milford summer chamber music festival. Widner's expertise is in the field of contemporary music. He has been the Principal Cellist with the Esprit Orchestra since 1985, founding member of the Continuum Ensemble, performs regularly with New Music Concerts, Arraymusic and Soundstreams, and has debuted and commissioned numerous Canadian works.

Paul Widner has performed as soloist in the North American premiere of the Penderecki Concerto Grosso for Three Cellos and Orchestra and *Seven Words* by Sofia Gubaidulina. He records with CBC Records and other independent labels and appeared with soprano Isabel Bayrakdarian on *Azulão* — a recording for voice and cello ensemble, which won a Juno Award for best classical vocal album. Widner has performed at various international festivals including the Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival, Athens Festival, Die Neue Musik in Chicago, the Gaudeamus and Shift Festivals in Amsterdam, the Edinburgh Festival and the Montreal New Music Festival.

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